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## **PREVIOUSLY DEPORTED ALIEN FOUND WITH LOADED GUN AND DRUGS IN THE DESERT**

PHOENIX – Humberto Aguiar-Flores, 28, a citizen of Mexico, was sentenced December 11, 2006 to 33 months in prison, by U.S. District Judge Susan R. Bolton. Aguiar-Flores pleaded guilty on September 26, 2006 to Re-Entry After Deportation in violation of 8 U.S.C. Sections 1326(a) enhanced by (b)(2).

On May 24, 2006, Aguiar-Flores was observed in the desert by a Customs and Border Protection air unit attempting to cover a pick-up truck with a tarp. When agents arrived, the pick-up truck was partially covered with the tarp and the headlights were covered with floor mats. Also located in the vehicle was a crack pipe, methamphetamine and a loaded 9 mm handgun. It was determined that Aguiar-Flores was previously convicted in Utah for Possession with Intent to Distribute of Controlled Substance after which he was deported from the United States.

Judge Bolton stated at sentencing that it was apparent that Aguiar-Flores was preparing this vehicle to transport illegal aliens. Judge Bolton also noted that Aguiar-Flores had 18 previous apprehensions by immigration from 1999 through January 2006. She subsequently sentenced him to the high end of the advisory sentencing guidelines followed by three years of Supervised Release.

The investigation in this case was conducted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection. The prosecution was handled by Lisa Jennis Settel, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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